

Secretary Lansing and Russian Ambassador Both Say Nation Will Not Quit

THESE HELPED HAIG IN CRUSHING GERMANS

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rise to the apprehensions of a new crisis.

John Bookin, first secretary of the Russian embassy, hurried to the Department of State and the issuing of statements began. Secretary Lansing said:

"There has been absolutely nothing in the dispatches received from Russia, nor in information derived from any other source whatever, to justify the impression created by the Washington Post today principally by the headline 'Russia Quits War,' that Russia is out of the conflict."

"A reading of the full interview with Premier Kerensky, of which the paper published only an abbreviated and preliminary account itself shows that the head is unwarranted. Our own advice shows that the provisional government in Petrograd is attacking with great energy the problems confronting it."

"Reports received from Petrograd by mail and telegraph show that Premier Kerensky and his government, far from yielding to discouragement, are still animated by a strong determination to organize all Russian resources in a whole-hearted resistance and carry the war through to a victorious completion. At the same time this government, like those of the allies, is rendering all possible assistance."

The Russian embassy's statement criticized the Washington Post for printing only an abbreviated portion of the interview, and said the newspaper "had entirely misinterpreted the real sense of the declaration of the Russian minister and has done Russia great injustice, giving the people of America an impression opposed to the truth at every point. For Russia is not out of the war, and has no intention of quitting, and no word in Kerensky's interview gives warrant for any assertion of that kind, because, as a matter of fact, the premier stated the exact opposite. Answering the question, 'Is Russia out of the war?' he most emphatically declared that this was a ridiculous question to ask."

Headline Misleading.
The Russian embassy, of course, isn't familiar with what happens in newspaper offices a few minutes before press time when what looks like a sensational story comes over the wires and there is only a few minutes to write a headline and catch the final edition. More time for the editor to think might have produced a better headline, but in a last minute rush things like this sometimes happen.

In peace time they are not so disconcerting as in these days of tension, when the headline is keyed up to an unusual degree of sensitivity.

News from Italy is pessimistic enough without disturbing interviews and headlines say our Government officials. And they breathed easier when the full text of what Premier Kerensky said in his chat with the Petrograd correspondent of the Associated Press finally came to hand before noon today.

But there is no denying the fact that Premier Kerensky's interview made a profound impression on the United States Government when it was finally analyzed. It showed to officials that Russia needs economic

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These Helped Haig in Crushing Germans

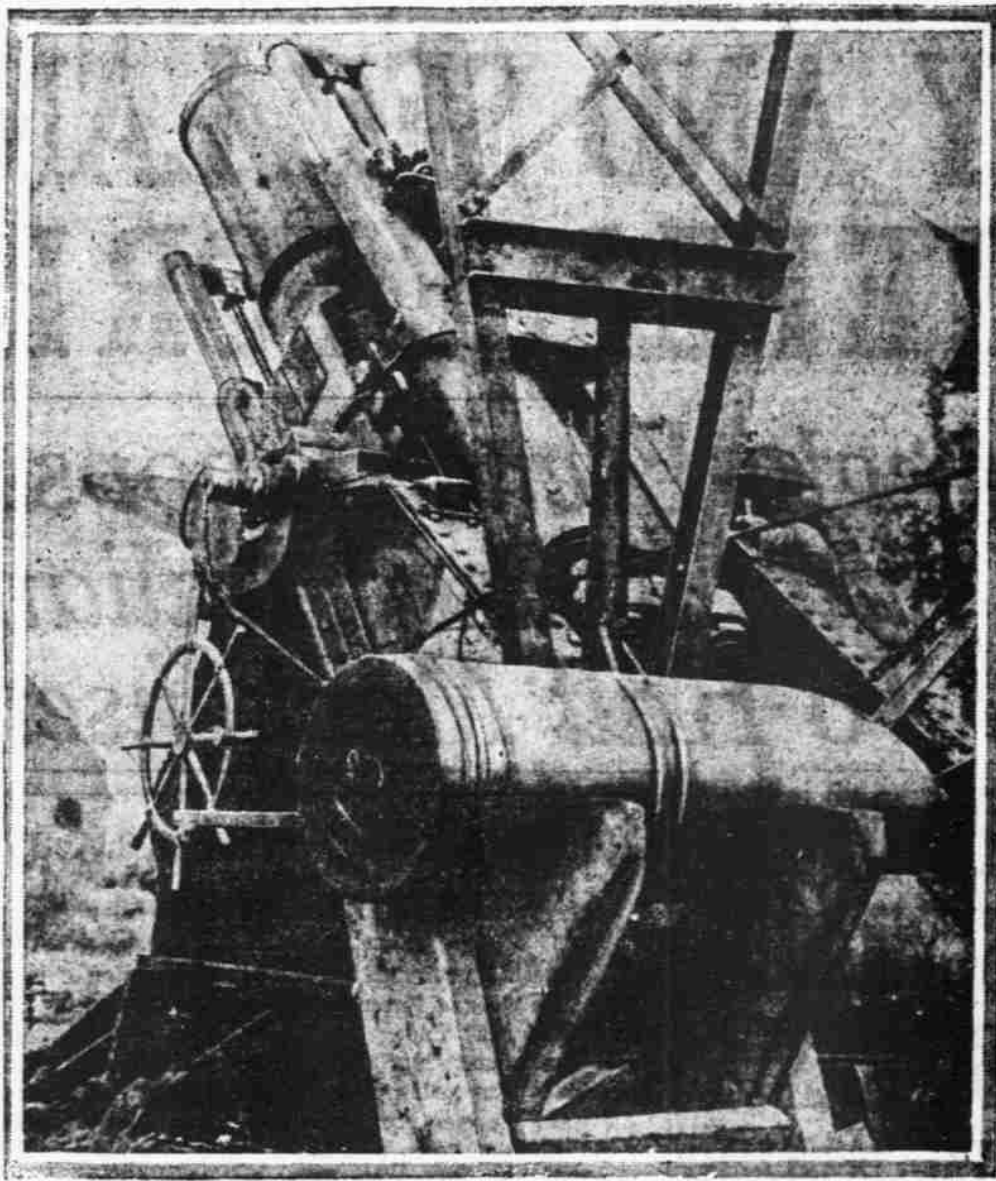


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Here is shown one of the scores of British "heavies" whose shattering fire literally obliterated the German deep-trench and dug-out positions in Flanders, when General Sir Douglas Haig pressed forward to achieve his sledge-hammer victories.

With the titanic weapon is seen on the gun carriage in the rear of the breech, a huge projectile ready to be loaded. Veritable Jove's thunderbolts are these massive shells. They can penetrate by their impetus and weight deep into the recesses of all but the very deepest German dug-outs.

May Last Three Years.

Military activity might seem discouraging, but the military men in our Government believe that the present war may last at least three years more and that when the decisive campaign of 1919 is fought Russia must be thoroughly organized once more to occupy the attention of the German armies on the eastern front. In the sense that Russia is girding her loins for offensive military support later on, the policy of rearmament indicated by Premier Kerensky's interview gives basis for encouragement here.

The outstanding facts are that Russia, while not a military factor, is, nevertheless, against the making of a separate peace, and intends to oppose her internal troubles so as to present substantially a solid front. The United States Government, as today's statements show, has not lost confidence in Russia and from its own official sources of information is thoroughly aware of what is going on, and therefore is able to refute emphatically the misleading impressions of newspaper reports.

Long Look Ahead.
Things on the allied side of the war may not look particularly bright with the Italian reverses still continuing, but surveys of the whole war situation nowadays comprehend a long look ahead to the days when America's economic and military resources are mobilized for action. Conditions in Russia have been disquieting and worrisome for many months, and no effort is made here to minimize their seriousness, but today's newspaper incident is one of those things which can be described in the same phrase that Mr. Wilson once used about an industrial depression—the new crisis is largely "psychological."

RUSSIANS EXPECT WINTER TO HOLD OFF RUSSIANS WHILE THEY REORGANIZE

LONDON, Nov. 2.—Russia will not fight this winter. She may possibly be able to fight next summer. It depends entirely on whether Premier Kerensky, now gaining strength

over his Bolshevik enemies, will be able to remodel Russia's domestic structure. From now until next spring at least, Russia will rely on nature's defenses of snow and ice and cold to hold back Teutonic invaders.

This epitomized official feeling here today. It was the main reason which the foreign office saw in the Italian catastrophe. The foreign office was not talking for publication, but officials privately emphasized their view that more than ever from now on England and France—and later America—must bear the brunt of the war on the western front.

The Russian constituent assembly meets December 5, Premier Kerensky has indicated he will urge its speedy dispatch of the business of forming a complete governmental machine. In the meantime, with the cold Russian winter setting in, the provisional government proposes to center every ounce of its energy on supplying the people with food and uniting the Russian spirit.

GERMANS WITHDRAW SEVEN DIVISIONS FROM ROUMANIA AND GALICIA

The Russian embassy is in receipt of an official cable in which Gen. E. Fossino, representative of the Russian army, with the British headquarters, communicates the following information:

Four German infantry divisions and three Austrian infantry divisions have been withdrawn from Roumania and Galicia immediately prior to the attack on the Italian front. At the same time a few German divisions have been transported from the French front.

"The total quantity of enemy troops which is being maintained at present against the Russian armies are: Eighty-six infantry and 10 cavalry divisions, 53 infantry and 11 cavalry Austrian divisions, and 7 Turkish and Bulgarian infantry divisions, making a total of 147 enemy divisions."

CLAXTON SPEAKS IN N. Y.
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Philander P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, was one of the speakers at the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the reformation in Carnegie Hall, last night.

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AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Nov. 2.—"Good luck, boys. Give them hell if they start anything."

"Thanks! We'll do it. Tell them to have a good, hot fire going at the village when we get back."

It was a low-toned conversation between incoming and outgoing American battalions taking lessons in trench warfare by actual experience. That is the spirit of the American soldiers as they go to and from the firing lines to battle with the Boches.

The first battalions, having completed the given period of training in actual battle, moved silently out of the trenches on a certain moonlight night. Their return march was over ground and was marked only by the sudden encountering of other American battalions, en route to the trenches and distinguishable from the French only by the shape of their helmets. There were few other exchanges.

The returning ones were tired and muddy, but thoroughly happy. The straw beds, or rousin billets, placed in long rows in the same barracks looked mighty good to the soldiers, who have been sleeping some nights in wet dugouts and spending many hours in the trenches.

Throughout the majority of these company reveille was postponed an hour in order to give an extra chance for sleep.

It was 8 o'clock before many of them turned out for their "chuck." They were full of stories of their experiences, and were ready to pour them into the ears of everyone they met.

BERLIN'S HAND SEEN IN BALTIMORE FIRE

That the Baltimore dock fire, which caused a five-million-dollar loss, is but one manifestation of a nation-wide plot to hinder the shipment of supplies to the American and allied forces in Europe, is the belief freely expressed by Government agents.

Other attempts at similar destruction have been discovered, and in many cases prevented by United States investigators. The work of the plotters is believed directed from Berlin.

MINOTTO'S PARENTS GO TO SON'S AID

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Registered at a local hotel are the parents of Count James Minotto, whose arrest by United States authorities is considered important.

The count's parents will aid in his defense of the charge that he has been guilty of pro-German activities.

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ANGLO-FRENCH AID GIVEN ITALIANS TO HALT FOE'S DRIVE

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since the war started—was received here today.

The Germans tried a new trick. They opened a deluge of shell fire. It was the greatest concentration of artillery the Italians had ever undergone. It covered every inch of the front—except a small sector.

Fearful Execution.
The fire did fearful execution everywhere. At the height of its intensity, when Italian troops were bent under dugouts everywhere, even in the small sector over which the Germans withheld their fire—the German attack came.

It was aimed at the small gap in the Italian line from which the Germans had been withheld. The assaulting wave caught the Italians there under their dugouts and crouching in the trenches. The defenders had no idea that an assault was coming, because on both sides of them the usual preparatory artillery fire was still pounding away and there had been no chance to develop a barrage curtain.

Great Sweep Starts.
Thus catching the Italians by surprise the initial wave of the German advance penetrated General Cadorna's line and started the great sweep forward.

The tremendous German artillery fire continued without abatement as Cadorna strove to send reinforcements to repair this break. It must have done terrible execution in the ranks of troops sent up to head off the Germans and Austrians.

With a break made in the line, the rest was comparatively easy for the invaders. Their preponderance in guns and men, and the advantage of flanking a position forced Cadorna to speed his retirement.

Cadorna's Stroke Applauded.
Rome dispatches indicated that despite his overwhelming initial defeat—a defeat for which he was hardly blamed on account of the enemy's superiority in artillery—Cadorna had executed a masterly stroke in the Italian retreat.

Considering the vast forces which the Italian commander had to move back, his losses have not been excessive. But what was more encouraging here, was that the spirit and morale of his men apparently has not been dimmed by the disaster.

King Emanuel and Premier Orlando are at the front, it was announced today.

ITALIANS STILL HAVE 2,820,000 SOLDIERS TO DEFY FOE'S DRIVE

Military authorities here say the reported loss of the Italians, mentioned in the official statements issued from Berlin, should cause little apprehension.

They point out that the Italian army, boasting of more than 3,000,000 men, can stand the loss of 180,000 men. Heartening news is seen in the fact that all the big British guns loaned to Italy were saved.

The Anglo-French re-enforcements also means that the enemy will face the heaviest fire yet to be encountered in an attack against the Italian forces.

The eyes of Europe, as well as practically the entire civilized world, are now on the Friuli plain, where the combined forces of Von Below and Von Mackenay are soon to clash with Italian-Anglo-French forces.

PLOECKEN PASS HOLDS DANGER OF FLANKING OF CADORNA'S ARMY

Ploecten Pass, in the Carnic Alps, today is the great danger zone in the battle of north Italy.

If the Germans succeed in pouring a second mass of troops through this gateway and out onto the plains, General Cadorna's army is in acute danger of being cut off and forced to retreat further southward—probably to the Piave river. His carefully prepared Tagliamento positions would prove untenable.

The army's position according to official cables today, is retreating southward successfully on a line of forty miles.

Meantime every effort is being made to consolidate Italy's civilian population into a realization of its duty to the country. News of American and allied aid being rushed to Italy has proved heartening. It is said, producing a general stiffening of the nation's morale.

ITALIANS COURT DEATH ON ISONZO HEIGHTS TO SAVE COMRADES

By JOHN H. HEARLEY, United Press Staff Correspondent.

ROME, Nov. 2.—Withdrawal of General Cadorna's third army, practically intact, was achieved by unparalleled heroism of Italy's dogged fighting men.

Enough of this story of valor, unflinching courage and supreme sacrifice—even to death—of the Italian defenders reached here this afternoon to arouse the whole capital to a throbbing of patriotism, pride and to make the conviction certain that Italy's men would stem the tide of invasion.

Strategic Feat.
Withdrawal of the third army was in itself a strategic feat not approached in the war's manuevers. Practically encircled by the German-Austrian forces, the men nevertheless cut themselves out, fighting hour after hour, and day after day without complaint, and enduring an overwhelming superiority in arms and men at disposal of the German command in heroic resistance.

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EUROPEAN WAR NEWS SUMMARY

Developments in the Venetian plain campaign on the Italian front are now awaited with intense interest and some anxiety. Continuously encouraging reports are now being received from the Italian war office, but each day's official statement from Berlin contains sinister revelations of losses to the Italian forces.

Official dispatches received from Rome by the Italian embassy in Washington today go a bit farther than the latest war office report from the Italian capital. These state that the Italian second and the greater part of the third army have retired in good order to the prepared new line—supposedly the Tagliamento river. British and French re-enforcements have already reached this line and more undoubtedly are to follow swiftly. This has heartened the Italians immensely, and it is the expectation that the combined allied forces will now turn and make a stubborn attempt to stem the further progress of the Austro-German invaders.

It appears that heroic Italian rear guards, composed chiefly of cavalry—appearing in large force on the European battlefields for the first time since the battle of Charleroi, in Belgium—vigorously impeded the movements of the advancing Teutonic armies and thus prevented the second army and the greater portion of the third army, from the Carso plateau, from being cut off. Some of them were, however, forced to surrender when surrounded, and this probably accounts for yesterday's German report of the capture of 60,000 additional prisoners—a total of 180,000 since the beginning of the Teutonic drive a week ago last Tuesday.

The German report has magnified the rearward action east of the Tagliamento into a major encounter and claims a great victory. Manifestly, the Italians merely held back the invader in this region until the main bodies had crossed to the west-bank of the Tagliamento. The action was stubbornly maintained along the whole middle course of the river and finally the rearward forces slowly retired across to the west bank, leaving the bridgehead positions on the east bank, chiefly Dignano, northwest of Udine; Codroipo, southwest of Udine, and Latisana, still farther to the southwest, to the Germans.

In spite of the magnitude of the blow that has fallen upon the Italian army, it is to be observed that disaster has apparently been successfully escaped and, accordingly, that the German great objective has failed. This was three-fold, tactically to break the Italian Isonzo line at designated points; strategically to develop the initial victory, into a series of operations that should wholly destroy the Italian first, second and third armies, and, finally, to affect the political situation in Italy so as to disrupt national cohesion and force a separate peace.

Only in the first of the three points have the Germans been successful. German strategy once more failed of its ultimate object, for the second and part of the third army have escaped. Moreover, the menace of the invasion has solidified public opinion in Italy and the extreme socialists and pacifists have been silenced. And it may very well be that the greatest operations of the war will now be carried out on the Venetian plains, with major British and French forces fighting side by side with the Italians.

Little has been reported from the French and Belgian fronts. On the latter, the war office stated today that minor operations on the Paschendale ridge had resulted in slight improvements to the British position near the village of Paschendale, northeast of Ypres. The artillery continues active north of the Aisne and north of Bezonvaux, on the Verdun front.

and motorcycle detachments harassed the great masses of Austro-Hungarian troops, fought them to a standstill, delaying the advance inch by inch until the main body of the third army could withdraw to prepared positions.

Held Isonzo Heights Bravely.
A certain section of the second army held the Isonzo Heights at a time when the approaches were literally alive with the enemy. When the pressure got too tremendous, detachments of the Italian soldiers volunteered to rush forward to their death, knowing their bodies and the shock of a charge from men determined to die in defense of their country would temporarily slow up the enemy's progress and permit many more Italian soldiers to escape.

DEAD IN LAST RAID ON LONDON NOW PUT AT 12

LONDON, Nov. 2.—The number killed in Wednesday night's air raid has mounted to twelve. Sixteen persons were wounded.

It is believed that other dead may be revealed through investigation of the effect of the raiders' bombs, now under way.

BEERSHEBA, IN HOLY LAND, CAPTURED BY BRITISH; 1,800 PRISONERS TAKEN

LONDON, Nov. 2.—Beersheba, in Palestine, has been captured by the British. It was announced officially today. General Allenby, commander of the British forces in Egypt, reports as follows:

"After a night march, our troops attacked Beersheba yesterday morning. While our infantry attacked the defenses covering the town from the west and southwest, mounted troops made a wide turning movement through the desert and approached it from the east. Beersheba was occupied in the evening. Eighteen hundred prisoners and nine guns were captured."

GERMAN WARSHIP SUNK, SAYS SWEDISH REPORT

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 2.—A dispatch from Nalmo, Sweden, says a German warship has been sunk in the sound. A mine is supposed to have been responsible for the loss.

This dispatch confirms the recent report that a torpedo boat destroyer had run into a mine at the southern end of the sound.

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SENATE OF FINLAND TAKES DIRECT STEP TOWARD REPUBLIC

HELSINKI, Finland, Nov. 2.—Direct steps of Finland's independence were started by drafting of a bill in the Finnish Senate today proposing that this body elect a president of a Finnish republic.

Petrograd dispatches on Monday asserted that the Russian government had cut off all governmental revenues heretofore sent to Finland, on account of the "growth of autonomous spirit there."

GERMANY PLANS TO BUY RUSSIAN ELECTION

PETROGRAD, Nov. 2.—The German intelligence bureau is actively preparing to take part in the election to the Russian constituent assembly, according to the Novoe Vremya.

Documents in possession of the Russian government, the paper says, reveals the astounding fact that German spies will endeavor by money and connections to develop a strong agitation for extremist plans, conclusion of immediate peace and against all conservative plans of the provisional government.

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